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At the June 20, 2005, Government Oversight Committee meeting, we discussed with you the impact of the new outreach dental clinic in Coralville, Iowa. Based on your responses to members' questions at the meeting, it was the understanding of the Committee that this new office would have no negative impacts on other dental providers in the area as the clients being served and the types of services offered would not conflict with their practices.

We have been recently made aware of a letter to you dated January 21, 2005, from several dental providers in the Coralville area indicating there were several concerns regarding your new clinic and the potential negative impacts on their practices. The Committee wants to be assured that you have met with these providers and have responded to their concerns. To the extent that there remain unresolved issues, you and dentists in the area will be asked to attend a future Government Oversight Committee meeting to respond to additional questions.

At this time, the Committee requests an update regarding all actions you have taken to resolve these issues and what solutions have resulted. Please provide a written response by July 18 to Sam Leto, Legislative Services Agency, who will forward your response to all Committee Members.

We appreciate your cooperation.

Sincerely,

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